

the time you spent here as a profitable and pleasing one. Many almost instinctively throw their minds back on the past. Some in so doing cause the past to come up so vividly before them as to darken the countenance with sorrow or gladden it with smiles. Even the lisping child can conjure up the pleasures of yesterday—the schoolboy thinks with glee of his youthful frolics. What a gush of pleasure there is when those who were at College together recount the pleasing scenes of the past.

"Thrice we fought our battles o'er, and thrice we slew the slain."

"Tis sweet to remember I would not forget
The charm which the past o'er the present can throw."

Happy is he who can look back and smile.

The Principal then rose and addressing the general audience said—Ladies and gentlemen, I thank you for the interest you evince by your presence in the progress of medical education. We are all so much indebted to the healing art, and unfortunately are so often in the doctors' hands, that none of us can afford to look upon the advancement of medical instruction or its results with indifference. Considering these things I often think it strange that so little public interest is manifested in the due organization and equipment of medical schools—that we hear of few encouragements offered to stimulate those students who earnestly apply themselves to medical pursuits—not merely few compared with inducements offered in other departments, but extremely few by themselves—no bursaries, no scholarships, no prizes. To-day, I am happy to say, it is in my power to give an indication of a change for the better as regards this University, an indication which I do not consider a slight one, especially when I feel disposed to regard it as but the beginning of munificent offers of the same kind from other sources.

He then announced a prize of \$50 offered by Mr John Carruthers for the best essay on the sources and uses of Petroleum and other Hydrocarbon oils, with observations on the best modes of obtaining and transporting them, special reference being had to Canada—open for com-